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First, it is fairly well documented that a Creditors Committee will add an additional layer of administrative expense in any case in which a committee is appointed.

Second, the Debtor had timely filed its schedules prior to the Opposition being filed by Thoits and it is somewhat disingenuous for Thoits to argue that it has no financial information available to it to gauge the Debtor's assertion that adding the cost of the Creditors Committee would a create a financial burden for the Debtor.

Third, the Debtor has submitted in response to the Opposition, its most recent Balance Sheet, Statement of Operations, Cash Flow Statement, and Federal Income Tax Return. Copies of each of the aforementioned documents are attached to the Declaration of Patricia T. Saucy filed herewith.

Thoits also asserts that committee oversight is justified in this case. Thoits merely asserts a conclusory statement that committee oversight is necessary. The Debtor does not believe that committee oversight would be of any great benefit to the estate. The Office of the U.S. Trustee has been involved in the case, the Debtor has been actively communicating with its creditors in response to any inquiries that they have. The Debtor has been in communication with all of its landlords and so it is a little bit difficult to understand just what a committee would bring to the table.

Further, what Thoits does not indicate, is that Thoits would most likely attempt to hire the same attorneys which have filed the Opposition to the Debtor's Motion. This seems to indicate that Thoits is interested in being an active creditor in the Debtor's bankruptcy case but would like to spread that cost over all of the creditor body. This fact is further supported by the fact that Thoits did not bother to attend the Meeting of Creditors either in person or through counsel.

There is no reason for the creditors committee acceptance form to be reissued. The Notice went out and creditors have been afforded an opportunity to respond to it. In fact, the fact that as Thoits points out three creditors have responded, clearly counters Thoits weak argument that the Debtor in exercising the rights afforded to it under the code, has somehow discouraged creditors from responding to the creditors committee acceptance form.

Debtor's Response to Opposition to Debtor's Motion That Committee of Creditors Not Be Appointed

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully asserted that at this juncture of the case, the Court should enter an Order that no creditors committee be appointed in the case.

Dated: May 2, 2011

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DEBTOR'S RESPONSE TO OPPOSITION TO DEBTOR'S MOTION THAT COMMITTEE OF CREDITORS NOT BE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(3); AND

DECLARATION OF PATRICIA T. SAUCY IN SUPPORT OF DEBTOR'S RESPONSE TO OPPOSITION TO DEBTOR'S MOTION THAT COMMITTEE OF CREDITORS NOT BE APPOINTED PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 1102(a)(3)

by placing copies of said document(s) in sealed envelope(s) and served in the manner or manners described below addressed as follows:

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/s/ Gail A. Michael

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